

Superior Coal Mines,
Dugout
Sections 28, 29, T21N, R102W
Horse Thief Canyon
Old Superior Mines and Townsite
about 1/4 mile north of South Superior
Sweetwater County \nwarrow S. Superior V12
Wyoming

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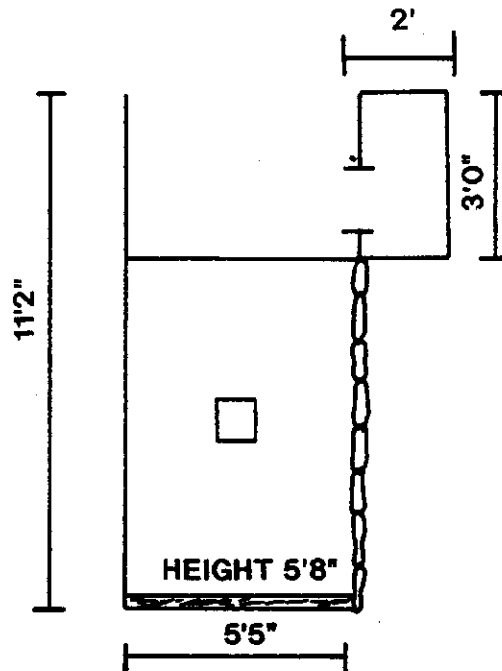
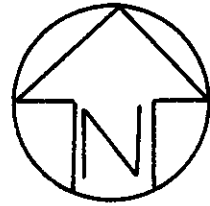
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Dugout: 48SW4068, Structure G (NE/SW/SW/SE Section 20, T21N, R102W 12/667780E/4626320N).

Structure G is a dugout which has been excavated back into the lower slope of the south side of Horse Thief Draw approximately 1 mile northwest of Superior. The dugout is rectangular in shape with the long axis running north to south. The overall dimensions are 11 feet 2 inches north to south by 5 feet 5 inches east to west. A small room located along the east side of the entryway runs an additional 2 feet 0 inches to the east.

The dugout can be divided into three sections; an entryway to the north, a single room to the south, and a small room or storage area to the east of the entryway. The entryway consists of a poured concrete wall on the west side and a dry laid uncut wall of stacked sandstone slabs on the east. The entryway is not roofed. To the east of the entryway is a small room. Access to this room is through an opening in the center of the wall dividing the two rooms. The east room has sandstone slab walls along the west and north sides and bedrock from the hillslope along portions of the east side as well as the south side. Like the entryway to the dugout, the east room has no roof.

The south end of the dugout consists of a single room, rectangular in shape with dimensions of 7 feet 11 inches north to south by 5 feet 5 inches east to west. The dugout has a flat wood roof which has partially collapsed allowing sediments to partially fill the interior. The height from the roof to the fill is 5 feet 8 inches. The covered room of the dugout has walls of three different materials. The west wall consists of a slab of poured concrete extending from the floor to the roof. The south wall consists of milled lumber boards running horizontally from west to east. The boards likewise run from the floor to the roof. The east wall consists of dry laid uncut stacked sandstone slabs chinked with mud. This wall also extends from floor to roof. At present there is no dividing wall between the south room and the entryway. The roof is supported by rafters running from the east to the west walls. No vertical support beams are present. A vent consisting of a vertical channel created by four vertical wooden boards is located near the center of the south room.



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